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Examiner: Edwards, Laura Estelle

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Confirmation No.: 1200

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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In response to the Office action mailed on February 24, 2005, Applicants hereby amend the specification and otherwise respond as follows. The shortened period for response expired May 24, 2005, accordingly, Applicants hereby petition for a one month extension of time. A check in the amount of \$120.00 is enclosed to cover the cost of the extension of time fee. The extended due date for this response therefore is June 24, 2005. It is believed that there are no fees associated with the filing and consideration of this amendment, however, **should the Commissioner decide that any fees or fee deficiency is due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any and all fees incurred as a result of entering this amendment and response to the above deposit account number.**

Please amend the application as follows:

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